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CROP SUMMARY FOR FEBRUARY 2012

First week of February: Wind and cold temperatures affecting all aspects of agriculture the past week. Cattle operators benefitting from higher prices on all classes and still higher than usual receipts at area auctions though slightly less this past week. Dry land still holding moisture needed to improve chances for harvest chances. Livestock still requiring more than usual feed to maintain condition, particularly cows calving and nursing. Second week of February: Temperatures across the state were above normal. Precipitation was sparse. Third week of February: An upper level system moved across New Mexico through the week, bringing moisture to the western highlands and central mountain chain. The system brought much cooler air through the week for much of New Mexico. Highest precipitation was reported at Animas, Gallup and Carrizozo. Last week of February: Temperatures during the week were 1 degree to 6 degrees below normal over the northwest parts of New Mexico and 1 to 7 degrees above normal over the northeast and southern parts of the state. A storm moved into New Mexico Sunday and Monday bringing snow over the northern mountain range/central mountains and parts of western New Mexico.

WEATHER SUMMARY

NEW MEXICO WEATHER CONDITIONS February 20 - February 26, 2012								
Station	Temperature			Precipitation				
	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Week	<u>Month</u>	Accum.	<u>Normal</u>	Normal
				20 Feb – 26 Feb	01 Feb – 26 Feb	01 Jan – 26 Feb	Feb	Jan-Feb
Northwest							2.15	
Albuquerque	44	66	22	0.00	0.26	0.66	0.46	0.90
Chama	22	49	-5	0.10	1.50	2.17	1.58	3.35
Farmington	34	61	14	0.04	0.32	0.39	0.57	1.16
Gallup	34	61	11	0.00	0.76	0.99	0.74	1.54
Grants	36	61	13	0.00	0.15	0.36	0.51	1.00
Johnson Ranch	32	58	12	0.00	0.09	0.14	0.57	1.24
Los Alamos	35	52	15	0.00	0.38	0.57	0.80	1.66
Red River	22	44	1	0.13	0.78	0.96	1.22	2.29
Santa Fe	37	60	13	-	0.18	0.63	0.69	1.32
Northeast								
Capulin	35	64	2	0.07	0.35	0.47	0.56	0.96
Clayton	41	71	19	-	0.05	0.10	0.31	0.55
Clovis	48	72	22	0.01	0.11	0.13	0.51	0.90
Las Vegas	37	61	12	-	0.12	0.19	0.48	1.08
Moriarty	37	62	13	0.02	0.19	0.36	0.48	0.91
Raton	40	70	7	0.02	0.10	0.11	0.54	1.01
Roy	-	-	-	-	-		0.43	0.77
Tucumcari	50	78	18	0.00	0.21	0.21	0.45	0.73
Southwest								
Animas	52	73	28	0.00	1.40	1.52	0.51	1.19
Deming	49	71	25	0.00	0.42	0.54	0.46	1.02
Gran Quivira	41	63	14	0.00	0.28	0.28	0.82	1.52
Quemado	37	60	11	0.00	0.10	0.60	0.72	1.55
Socorro	47	73	25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.39	0.78
T or C	50	77	27	0.00	0.01	0.06	0.38	0.84
Southeast								
Alamogordo	48	72	24	0.00	-	0.12	0.54	1.21
Carlsbad	53	82	24	-	-	0.17	0.35	0.70
Carrizozo	44	73	18	0.00	0.29	0.32	0.57	1.17
Las Cruces	50	73	28	0.00	0.08	0.23	0.37	0.83
Roswell	48	80	22	0.00	0.27	0.27	0.46	0.89
Ruidoso	40	64	14	0.00	0.18	0.48	1.16	2.28
Tatum	47	77	22	0.00	0.28	0.28	0.50	0.89
(T) Trace (-) No Report (*) Correction - All reports based on preliminary data. Precipitation data corrected monthly from official.								